

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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INTACT BACTERIAL MINICELLS

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is a response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed December 13, 2005. By the attached petition for an extension of time, Applicants have extended the due date for this response until February 13, 2006. Accordingly, the response is timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this document.

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